

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
May 6, 2002**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi met in special session at the Board Office in Jackson, Mississippi, at 12:30 p.m., and pursuant to notice at the public meeting of the Board on April 18, 2002, to each and every member of said Board, said date being at least five days prior to this May 6, 2002 meeting. At the above-named place there were present the following members to wit: Mr. Thomas W. Colbert, Mr. William S. Crawford, Dr. Stacy Davidson, Ms. Ricki R. Garrett, Mr. Bryce Griffis, Mr. Roy Klumb, Dr. D. E. Magee, Jr., Ms. Virginia Shanteau Newton, Mr. Carl Nicholson, Jr., Mr. Scott Ross, and Ms. Amy Whitten. Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely was absent. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bill Crawford, President, and opened with prayer by Ms. Garrett.

Mr. Crawford passed the chairmanship of the Board meeting to Mr. Carl Nicholson for consideration of the Budget & Financial Affairs Agenda.

BUDGET & FINANCIAL AFFAIRS AGENDA

Mr. Carl Nicholson, Chair

1. **Tuition and Fees** - All of the Institutional Executive Officers were given an opportunity to present their argument(s) for a tuition increase. Handouts are included in the *May 6, 2002 Board Working File*.
2. **Retirement Incentive Program**- Received the draft Rules and Regulations and the draft Agreement, Waiver, and Release for the Retirement Incentive Program. A copy of each is included in the *May 6, 2002 Board Working File*. On motion by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Griffis, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting, the Board voted to approve the draft Rules and Regulations for the Retirement Incentive Program for a first reading.
3. **Other Business** - Mr. Nicholson announced plans for the Mississippi State University Presidential Search Committee to conduct first round interviews on June 24-28, 2002 and final interviews on campus on July 8-12, 2002.

Mr. Nicholson passed the chairmanship of the Board meeting to Mr. Bill Crawford for adjournment.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Mr. Colbert, seconded by Mr. Griffis, with Dr. Neely absent and not voting, the Board members voted to adjourn.

President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

Commissioner, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning.